

January 10, 2011

Representative Betty McCollum 1714 Longworth HOB Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative McCollum,

Thank you for being a champion for children's health. The recent changes in health care coverage for children as a result of the passage of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act have had immediate impacts. In fact, it has never been a better time for children to get affordable, fair and comprehensive health care coverage.

I am also writing to ask you to fight hard to preserve the improvements we have made. We do not want Congress to undo the health care legislation that finally gives so many children the health care they need. Just a few of the provisions that were included in this historic legislation are:

- Prohibits denial of health care coverage based on pre-existing conditions
- Prohibits lifetime limits of insurance coverage
- Provides coverage for pediatric services, including preventive care
- Expands coverage for more kids living in poverty through Medicaid
- Insures young adults through their parents plan
- Provides the framework for bringing budget-busting medical costs under control

Thank you again for supporting the health care legislation that has helped so many Minnesota families. Please continue your strong support to preserve the health care access our children deserve.

Sincerely,

James Koppel Regional Director